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Russian Federation: Invitation to launch of Annual Report 2003

Amnesty International will launch its Annual Report 2003 at a press conference on 28 May 2003. The report covers the human rights situation in 151 countries during 2002. It also provides analysis about what the organization considers to be the main trend in human rights in the world in the past year - how human rights worldwide have been trampled upon in the quest for state security.

Amnesty International will launch the Annual Report in Moscow exactly at the same time with the global launch in London. The world's largest human rights organization will present its main concerns regarding the Russian Federation and will report on its ongoing campaign on human rights in the country.

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Wednesday 28 May 2003, 13:00 hrs Moscow time (9:00 GMT)

Speakers:

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Video and audio material accompanying the report will be made available for free and unrestricted worldwide broadcast use until 11 June 2003.

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